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GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH
ABSTRACT

PS – PR&RD Department – Allegations of irregularities in execution of the project for comprehensive development of SC/ST Colonies under MGNREGS in YSR Kadapa District for providing CC roads with CC drains in Zinkala Nagar, Ambedkar Nagar and Sai Nagar H.W of B.Mattam Mandal - Disciplinary proceedings initiated and charges framed against Sri T. Gopal Das, the then DEE, V&QC, SD, Jammalamadugu, now DEE, PRI SD, Proddatur, YSR Kadapa District – Inquiry conducted – Further action dropped – Orders – Issued.

PANCHAYAT RAJ AND RURAL DEVELOPMENT (VIG-II) DEPARTMENT

G.O.Rt.No.82 Dated:25-02-2022,
Read the following:-

1)Vigilance & Enforcement Department, Vigilance Report No.69 (40-2/V&E/E/2015), dated:31-07-2017.
2) G.O.Rt.No.481, PR & RD (Vig-II) Dept., Dated:15-05-2018.
3) G.O.Rt.No.486, PR & RD (Vig-II) Dept., Dated:15-05-2018.
4) From the Engineer-in-Chief, PR, Vijayawada Lr.No. Vig(4)/878831/2017, dated: 14-12-2018.
5) G.O.Rt.No.371, PR&RD(Vig-II)Dept.,Dated:14-05-2019.
6) From Sri J. Sathyanarayana,COI, GAD, D.O.Letter No.74/COI-JS/2019, dated: 26.05.2021.
7) Govt.Memo.No.8918/Vig-II/2017-3, PR&RD (Vig-II) Dept.,Dated:10-11-2021.
8) From Sri T. Gopal Das, the then DEE, V&QC, SD, Jammalamadugu, now DEE, PRI SD, Proddatur, YSR Kadapa District dt:26.11.2021.

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ORDER:

In the references 2nd and 3rd read above, Government have initiated common disciplinary proceedings under Rule-24 of APCS (CC&A) Rules, 1991 duly framing the following article of charges under Rule-20 of said rules against Sri T. Gopal Das, the then DEE, V&QC, SD, Jammalamadugu, now DEE, PRI SD, Proddatur, YSR Kadapa District has committed grave irregularities in execution of project for comprehensive development of SC/ST Colonies in Zinkala Nagar, Ambedkar Nagar and Sai Nagar H.W of B.Mattam Mandal in YSR Kadapa District and caused loss to the Govt. exchequer to a tune of Rs.75,41,410/-, with a direction to submit his written statement of defence.

Charge:

(i)Did not discharge his duties regarding assessment of quality by way of conducting core testing as per section 903.5.2.1 of MoRT&H and simply issued QC certificate stating that the measurements are tallying and mentioned in foot note that "the test results of CC cubes cast during execution are not submitted by the field officers for assessing the strength of CC pavement" resulting in substandard quality of work, ultimately caused loss of Rs.69,36,598/- to Government exchequer.

(ii)Being Quality assurance staff he has not insisted for mix design report.

2. In the reference 4th read above, the Engineer-in-Chief, Panchayat Raj, AP, Vijayawada, has furnished the written statement of defence in respect of Sri T. Gopal Das, the then DEE, V&QC, SD, Jammalamadugu, now DEE, PRI SD, Proddatur, YSR Kadapa District and he denied the above charges.

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3. Since, the Written Statement of Defence has not been convincing, after examining the matter, Government have decided to conduct regular inquiry into the charges framed against the charged officer viz., Sri T. Gopal Das, the then DEE, V&QC, SD, Jammalamadugu, now DEE, PRI SD, Proddatur, YSR Kadapa District and also against four (4) other co-charged officers viz.,(i) Sri B.P. Madhusudhan Babu, AEE, former MEO., B.Mattam (ii) Sri V.Ramachandra Reddy, Executive Engineer, PRI Division, YSR Kadapa District formerly DEE., PRI SD, Mydukur, YSR Kadapa District (iii) Sri V.V. Subba Reddy, the then AE, V&QC, SD, Jammalamadugu, YSR Kadapa District now retired as MEO, Proddatur (iv) Sri P. Nageshwara Rao, EE., PRI Division, Kadapa (now retired as SE, Nellore) involved in the case.

4. Accordingly, Government have issued orders in the reference 5th read above appointed Sri J. Sathyanarayana, IPS (Retd) COI, GAD., as the Inquiry Officer to conduct inquiry against the above (5) charged officers. Sri M. Vara Prasada Rao, Advocate has been appointed as the Presenting Officer to present the case on behalf of the disciplinary authority, therein.

5. In the reference 6th read above, Sri J. Sathyanarayana, IPS (Retd) COI, GAD., has submitted Inquiry Report along with his findings. In the findings the Inquiry Officer in the Inquiry Report in respect of Sri T. Gopal Das, the then DEE, V&QC, SD, Jammalamadugu, now DEE, PRI SD, Proddatur, YSR Kadapa District Charged Officer-4 the Inquiry Authority & Commissioner of Inquiries, while analysing various technical aspects raised during the Inquiry and considering the opinion and version of the Presenting Officer in the case, has concluded that the charges are not held proved against the Charged Officer i.e., Sri T. Gopal Das, the then DEE, V&QC, SD, Jammalamadugu, now DEE, PRI SD, Proddatur, YSR Kadapa District

6. Government, after careful examination of matter, have decided to accept the findings of the Commissioner of Inquiries & Inquiry Officer and to drop further action against Sri T. Gopal Das, the then DEE, V&QC, SD, Jammalamadugu, now DEE, PRI SD, Proddatur, YSR Kadapa District, in this matter.

7. Accordingly, Government hereby drop further action against Sri T. Gopal Das, the then DEE, V&QC, SD, Jammalamadugu, now DEE, PRI SD, Proddatur, YSR Kadapa District, in this matter.

8. The Engineer-in-Chief, Panchayat Raj, A.P., Vijayawada, shall take further action in the matter, accordingly.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

GOPAL KRISHNA DWIVEDI,
PRINCIPAL SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT.

To
Sri T. Gopal Das, the then DEE, V&QC, SD, Jammalamadugu, now DEE, PRI SD, Proddatur, YSR Kadapa District. (Through ENC, PR, Vijayawada)
The Engineer-in-Chief, Panchayat Raj, A.P., Vijayawada.
Copy to:
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A.P. Secretariat, Velagapudi(w.r.t letter No.3925/VC.AF(1)/2017-4, dt:08.02.2022)
The General Administration (V&E) Department.
The PR & RD (Estt-I) Department – for taking necessary action
SF/Sc.

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